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YUGOSLAV CHEMICAL INDUSTRY EXPANDS

BUILD FOURTH NITROGEN FACTORY -- Slovenski Porocevalec, No 134, 7 Jun 50

This year the youth of Bosnia and Herzegovina have begun the construction of a nitrogen factory in Gorazde. This is the fourth factory of its kind in Yugoslavia. The other three are in Ruse, which is in Slovenia, in Sibenik and in Dugi Rat, both in Dalmatia.

The factory in Gorazde, like the factory in Ruse, will produce artificial nitrogenous fertilizer.

CHEMICAL FACTORY MANUFACTURES DRUGS -- Borba, No 137, 10 Jun 50

Ljubljana, 9 June -- In addition to various chemicals for industry, the chemical factory in Hrastnik also manufactures drugs, especially alkaloids. The factory has increased its production of digitalis glucoside. Production costs for this drug have been lowered 11 million dinars by the new production method.

NEW CHEMICAL FACTORY BEGINS OPERATION -- Politika, No. 13569, 2 Jun 50

Ljubljana, l June -- In Podnart near Kranj a new chemical factory began operation recently. At present it produces ammonium persulfate and ammonium molybdate in small quantities for ferrous metallurgy. This year the factory is building several new installations. It will produce pure chemicals for analysis and for industrial use throughout the country.

MASS-PRODUCE PENICILLIN IN YUGOSLAVIA -- Slovenski Porocevalec, No 123, 125; 25, 29 May 50

Tests have shown that domestic penicillin is qualitatively equal to penicillin produced abroad. Consequently, the Committee for the Protection of Public Health and Frof Dr Kosta Todorovic have approved the mass production of penicillin in the new "Galenika" Drug Factory.

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INTRODUCE PRODUCTION OF RUBBER THREAD -- Borba, No 120, 21 May 50

The production of rubber thread began recently in the rubber factories in Borovo and Kranj. The thread will be used for the manufacture of various bands and elastic material.

This year's production of rubber thread will satisfy one-fourth of Yugo-slavia's needs. For the production of good rubber thread, certain mechanical and theoretical difficulties still have to be overcome.

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